



Louisiana Crop Values Report

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The following are the survey results from the 2017 crop year marketings and monthly prices. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in more detailed reports at the Internet address above. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

2017 Louisiana Total Value of Production for Field Crops Up 10 Percent

The value of production for field crops in Louisiana during 2017 totaled \$1.95 billion, up 10 percent from \$1.77 billion in 2016. The top three crop commodities (excluding sugarcane), soybeans, corn, and rice, accounted for 67 percent of the total value of production for field crops. All field crops in Louisiana, with the exception of corn, hay, sorghum, and wheat showed an increase in value of production from 2016. Sorghum in Louisiana showed the largest percentage decrease from 2016 at 74 percent, followed by wheat at 34 percent and hay at 15 percent. Sweet potatoes showed the largest increase at 59 percent in value of production from last year followed by cotton at 54 percent.

At the national level, the value of production for field crops was down 1 percent, at \$141 billion, from 2016. Corn, at \$48.5 billion, was the leading field crop followed by soybeans at \$41.0 billion and all hay at \$16.2 billion.

Field Crops: Marketing Year Average Prices and Value of Production - Louisiana and United States: 2016 and 2017

Commodity	Unit	Louisiana					United States				
		Price per unit		Value of production			Price per unit		Value of production		
		2016	2017 ¹	2016	2017	Percent of previous year	2016	2017 ¹	2016	2017	Percent of previous year
		(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)
Corn, grain	bu	3.70	3.70	335,775	333,592	99	3.36	3.30	51,304,297	48,465,485	94
Cotton, upland ^{2,3}	lb	0.698	0.701	89,791	137,957	154	0.680	0.674	5,438,535	6,745,186	124
Cottonseed ³	ton	203.00	158.00	17,458	21,330	122	195.00	139.00	1,055,924	948,722	90
Hay, all	ton	97.00	95.00	106,894	91,390	85	129.00	140.00	15,552,186	16,155,081	104
Rice, all	cwt	10.20	11.80	289,578	312,735	108	10.40	12.50	2,384,690	2,246,483	94
Sorghum, grain	cwt	6.04	6.30	15,870	4,174	26	4.98	5.65	1,352,438	1,175,125	87
Soybeans	bu	9.93	9.70	573,110	654,750	114	9.47	9.30	40,690,798	41,007,464	101
Sugarcane ^{4,5,6}	ton	24.60	(NA)	283,392	(NA)	(X)	32.60	(NA)	990,209	(NA)	(X)
Sweet potatoes	cwt	21.30	23.50	32,376	51,348	159	20.70	20.60	651,514	732,926	112
Wheat, all	bu	4.25	4.20	3,825	2,512	66	3.89	4.60	9,179,424	8,142,065	89

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ 2017 marketing year average prices for field crops are preliminary and based on entire month price data through December 2017.

² Value based on a 480-pound net weight bale.

³ Based on marketings and monthly prices received from August 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017.

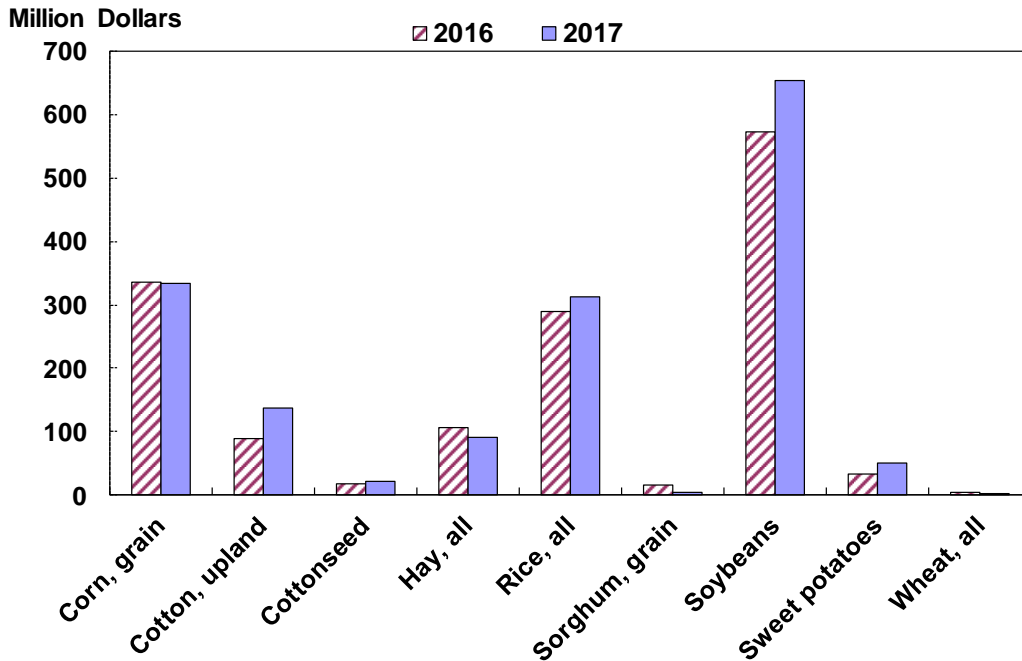
⁴ Price and value of production is for sugar only.

⁵ State prices and values for 2017 will be published in *Crop Values* Report released February 2019.

⁶ The 2017 total value of production for field crops includes an estimated value of production for sugarcane which is computed using 2016 prices.

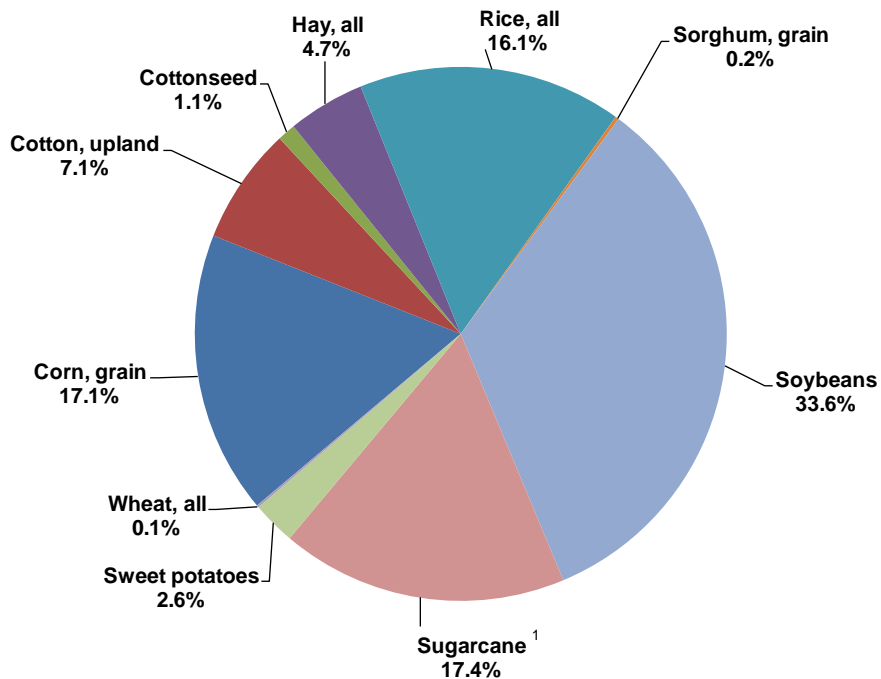


Field Crops: Value of Production - Louisiana: 2016 and 2017



Field Crops: Total Value of Production and Crop Percent - Louisiana: 2017

Total Value: \$1.95 Billion



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